

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A food package apparatus for containing a food product in a first section of the apparatus and a second section adapted to receive and retain waste from the food product,
5 the food package apparatus comprising:
 - (a) a food product containing section comprising a first front panel and an opposite facing first back panel, the first front panel and the first back panel each bordered by a first peripheral edge, the first front panel and the first back panel attached together along the first peripheral edge, the food product containing section
10 having a first compartment defined by the first front panel, the first back panel and the first peripheral edge, a portion of the first peripheral edge defining a top of the food containing section;
 - (b) a food product disposed in the first compartment;
 - (c) a waste collection section comprising a second front panel and an opposite facing
15 second back panel, the second front panel and the second back panel each bordered by a second peripheral edge, the second front panel and the second back panel attached together along the second peripheral edge, the waste collection section having a second compartment defined by the second front panel, the second back panel and the second peripheral edge, a portion of the second
20 peripheral edge defining a top of the waste collection section;
 - (d) a perforated attachment means for hingedly connecting the top of the food product containing section to the top of the waste collection section, wherein the food product containing section is detachable from the waste collection section; and
 - (e) the top of the food product section having a first access means to the first
25 compartment and the top of the waste collection section having a second access means to the second compartment, said first access means and second access means operational when the food containing section is separated from the waste collection section.
2. The food package apparatus of claim 1 wherein the food product is sunflower seeds.
- 30 3. The food package apparatus of claim 1 wherein the food product is pistachios.
4. The food package apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first front panel, the second front

panel, the first back panel, and the second back panel are rectangular.

5. The food package apparatus of claim 4 wherein the waste collection section has a collapsible bottom oppositely facing the top of the waste collection section, and opposite facing sides.

- 5 6. The food package apparatus of claim 5 where upon being collapsed, the collapsible bottom forms a generally rectangular base, a first triangular flap and a second triangular flap, wherein the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap may be folded against the base.

- 10 7. The food package apparatus of claim 6 wherein the first flap and the second flap comprise adhesive means for retaining the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap to the base.

8. The food package apparatus of claim 1 wherein the food package apparatus is manufactured from food grade packaging paper.

- 15 9. The food package apparatus of claim 8 wherein the food grade packaging paper has a wax coating.

10. A food package apparatus for containing a food product in a first section of the apparatus and a second section adapted to receive and retain waste from the food product, the food package apparatus comprising:

- 20 (a) a food product containing section comprising a first rectangular front panel and an opposite facing first rectangular back panel, the first rectangular front panel and the first rectangular back panel each bordered by a first peripheral edge, the first rectangular front panel and the first rectangular back panel attached together along the first peripheral edge, the food product containing section having a first compartment defined by the first rectangular front panel, the first rectangular back panel and the first peripheral edge, a portion of the first peripheral edge defining a top of the food containing section;

- 25 (b) a food product disposed in the first compartment;

- 30 (c) a waste collection section comprising a second rectangular front panel and an opposite facing second rectangular back panel, the second rectangular front panel and the second rectangular back panel each bordered by a second peripheral edge, the second rectangular front panel and the second rectangular back panel attached

together along the second peripheral edge, the waste collection section having a second compartment defined by the second rectangular front panel, the second rectangular back panel and the second peripheral edge, a portion of the second peripheral edge defining a top of the waste collection section;

- 5 (d) a perforated attachment means for hingedly attaching the top of the food product containing section to the top of the waste collection section, wherein the food product containing section is detachable from the waste collection section; and
- (e) the top of the food product section having a first access means to the first compartment and the top of the waste collection section having a second access
- 10 means to the second compartment, said first access means and second access means operational when the food containing section is separated from the waste collection section.
11. The food package apparatus of claim 10 wherein the waste collection section has a collapsible bottom oppositely facing the top of the waste collection section, and opposite
- 15 facing sides.
12. The food package apparatus of claim 11 where upon being collapsed, the collapsible bottom forms a generally rectangular base, a first triangular flap and a second triangular flap, wherein the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap may be folded against the base.
- 20 13. The food package apparatus of claim 12 wherein the first flap and the second flap comprise adhesive means for retaining the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap to the base.
14. The food package apparatus of claim 10 wherein the food package apparatus is manufactured from food grade packaging paper.
- 25 15. The food package apparatus of claim 13 wherein the food grade packaging paper has a wax coating.
16. The food package apparatus of claim 10 wherein the food product is sunflower seeds.
17. The food package apparatus of claim 10 wherein the food product is pistachios.
18. A food package apparatus for containing a food product in a first section of the
- 30 apparatus and a second section adapted to receive and retain waste from the food product, the food package apparatus comprising:

(a) a food product containing section comprising a first rectangular front panel and an opposite facing first rectangular back panel, the first rectangular front panel and the first rectangular back panel each bordered by a first peripheral edge, the first rectangular front panel and the first rectangular back panel attached together along the first peripheral edge, the food product containing section having a first compartment defined by the first rectangular front panel, the first rectangular back panel and the first peripheral edge, a portion of the first peripheral edge defining a top of the food containing section;

(b) a food product disposed in the first compartment;

(c) a waste collection section comprising a second rectangular front panel and an opposite facing second rectangular back panel, the second rectangular front panel and the second rectangular back panel each bordered by a second peripheral edge, the second rectangular front panel and the second rectangular back panel attached together along the second peripheral edge, the waste collection section having a second compartment defined by the second rectangular front panel, the second rectangular back panel and the second peripheral edge, a portion of the second peripheral edge defining a top of the waste collection section, the waste collection section further comprising a collapsible bottom oppositely facing the top and opposite facing sides;

(d) a perforated attachment means for hingedly attaching the top of the food product containing section to the top of the waste collection section, wherein the food product containing section is detachable from the waste collection section; and

(e) the top of the food product section having a first access means to the first compartment and the top of the waste collection section having a second access means to the second compartment, said first access means and second access means operational when the food containing section is separated from the waste collection section.

19. The food package apparatus of claim 18 where upon being collapsed, the collapsible bottom forms a generally rectangular base, a first triangular flap and a second triangular flap, wherein the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap may be folded against the base.

20. The food package apparatus of claim 19 wherein the first flap and the second flap comprise adhesive means for retaining the first triangular flap and the second triangular flap to the base.